## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : Hon. Edward S. Kiel, U.S.M.J.

:

v. : Mag. No. 22-15251

MUSAH COWARD,

: ORDER FOR CONTINUANCE

a/k/a "Mecha Red Eyes,"

a/k/a "Red"

This matter having come before the Court on the joint application of Philip R. Sellinger, United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey (by John F. Mezzanotte, Assistant United States Attorney), and Defendant Musah Coward (by John McMahon, Esq., appearing), for an order granting a continuance of the proceedings in the above-captioned matter; and Defendant being aware that he has the right to have the matter submitted to a grand jury within 30 days of the date of his arrest pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3161(b); and Defendant, through his attorney, having consented to the continuance; and three previous continuances having been granted; and for good and sufficient cause shown,

**IT IS THE FINDING OF THIS COURT** that this action should be continued for the following reasons:

- (1) Both the United States and Defendant seek additional time to engage in plea negotiations to resolve this matter, which would render trial unnecessary;
  - (2) Defendant has consented to the aforementioned continuance;
- (3) The grant of a continuance will likely conserve judicial resources; and

(4) Pursuant to Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 3161(h)(7), the ends of justice served by granting the continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and Defendant in a speedy trial.

**WHEREFORE**, it is on this 19th day of May, 2023;

**ORDERED** that this action be, and it hereby is, continued from the date this Order is signed through and including August 15, 2023; and it is further

**ORDERED** that the period from the date this Order is signed through and including August 15, 2023 shall be excludable in computing time under the Speedy Trial Act of 1974, and it is further

**ORDERED** that nothing in this Order or the application prompting it is a finding or representation that less than 31 non-excludable days under § 3161(h) have expired.

/s/ Edward S. Kiel
HONORABLE EDWARD S. KIEL
United States Magistrate Judge

Form and entry consented to:
s/ John McMahon
John McMahon, Esq. Counsel for Defendant
s/ John F. Mezzanotte
John F. Mezzanotte

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